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The Honorable Charles L. A. Terreni  
Chief Clerk/Administrator  
Public Service Commission of South Carolina  
101 Executive Center Dr.  
Columbia, South Carolina 29211

Dear Mr. Terreni:

Pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. §58-9-576, AT&T South Carolina respectfully submits the following tariff page for filing with the Public Service Commission of South Carolina:

General Subscriber Service Tariff

Section A3 - 12<sup>th</sup> Revised Page 1

This tariff filing increases the prices for flat-rated local exchange residential service and the prices for ISDN-Residential Service.

As clarification, 12th Revised Page 1 reflects the new prices for flat-rated local exchange residential service. This revised tariff page, however, has the effect of revising prices for ISDN-Residential Service because customers with this service pay the “month-to-month” rate set forth in Sections A.42 and A.142 of AT&T South Carolina’s Tariff in addition to “[t]he appropriate flat rate schedule in Section A3. of this Tariff . . . .” See AT&T South Carolina General Subscriber Service Tariff §A42.2.4.B.2.a.(1).(b), Note 1.

AT&T South Carolina is allowed to adjust prices for flat-rated local exchange residential service pursuant to the Gross Domestic Product-Price Index (“GDP-PI”), which is the inflation-based index the Commission adopted in Docket No. 2002-408-C. See S.C. Code Ann. §58-9-576(B)(4). Exhibit A to this tariff filing reflects a 2.04% increase in the GDP-PI from second quarter 2007 (119.531) to second quarter 2008 (121.973).

AT&T reserves its right to consider the cumulative change in the GDP-PI since it began operating pursuant to Section 58-9-576, as well as the \$1.00 reduction in the monthly price for flat-rated local exchange residential service pursuant to prior settlement agreements with the Consumer Advocate, in future filings adjusting prices for flat-rated local exchange residential service. In this filing, however, AT&T South Carolina is not increasing the price of any service by more than 2.04%. The price adjustments reflected in this tariff filing, therefore, clearly are in compliance with applicable law.

Finally, the Company respectfully submits an explanation of this filing in the attached "Sample Notice of Filing," which is based on the document posted on the Commission's website. Although it is not clear that such a Notice is required for tariff filings, like this one, that are subject to the alternative regulation provisions of Section 58-9-576, AT&T South Carolina hopes the attached Notice will be useful to the Commission.

Yours very truly,

Cindy Cox

Executive Director

A handwritten mark, possibly initials or a signature, located to the right of the typed name "Executive Director".

Attachment

*Public Service Commission of South Carolina*  
*Columbia, South Carolina*

**PROPOSED NOTICE OF FILING**

**BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE PLEADING (*Relief the Company is Seeking from the Commission*):**

AT&T South Carolina is not filing a pleading or seeking relief from the Commission. Instead, AT&T South Carolina is making a tariff filing that changes prices for residential service, as allowed by Section 58-9-576 of the South Carolina Code. The price for flat rated residential local exchange service and ISDN are being increased.

**STATUTORY OR OTHER LEGAL AUTHORITY UNDER WHICH PLEADING IS FILED:**

AT&T South Carolina is making this tariff filing pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. §58-9-576. This tariff filing is presumed valid and becomes effective seven days after filing for price decreases and fourteen days after filing for price increases. *See* S.C. Code Ann. §58-9-576(B)(6).

**IF THE PLEADING IS A RATE CASE AFFECTING THE GENERAL BODY OF SUBSCRIBERS, LIST ALL CURRENT AND PROPOSED RATES AND ANY OTHER CHANGES TO THE COMPANY'S TARIFF CURRENTLY ON FILE WITH THE COMMISSION:**

AT&T South Carolina's tariff filing is not a rate case, but in an attempt to assist the Commission, AT&T South Carolina states that this filing increases the price for flat rated residential and ISDN local exchange service.

By statute, AT&T South Carolina is allowed to adjust prices for flat-rated local exchange residential service pursuant to the inflation-based index the Commission adopted in Docket No. 2002-408-C (the Gross Domestic Product-Price Index). The price adjustments reflected in this tariff filing are permitted by this statute.

October and November bills will include a notice advising customers of the new prices, which will become effective during November and December billing periods.

### A3. BASIC LOCAL EXCHANGE SERVICE

#### A3.1 General

- A. Basic local exchange service is comprised of exchange access lines defined as follows:  
 Exchange Access Line - The serving central office line equipment and all Company plant facilities up to the demarcation point. These facilities are Company-provided and maintained and provide access to and from the telecommunications network for message toll service and for local calling appropriate to the tariffed use offering selected by the customer.
- B. Exchange access lines are subject to the nonrecurring charges specified in Section A4.
- C. Rates for basic local exchange service are related to the total number of exchange access lines and PBX trunks in the local calling area.
- D. Customers subscribing to a total of 1000 or more PBX trunks or Network Access Registers (NARs), aggregated on a statewide basis, will receive a ten percent discount on the monthly recurring rates for these services and on any billed local usage associated with these PBX trunks or NARs. Service furnished under the Sharing and Resale of Basic Local Exchange Service offering will be excluded. Customer accounts will be reviewed annually to determine eligibility for the discount.
- E. Base Rate Areas, Zone Rate Areas and Exchange Service Areas for each exchange are identified on maps filed as a supplement to this Tariff.
- F. Rate Group Definition

Group	Exchange Access Lines and PBX Trunks Upper Limits
1	7,000
2	15,000
3	28,500
4	50,000
5	78,000
6	125,000
7	Unlimited

#### A3.2 Statewide Rate Schedules

##### A3.2.1 Flat Rate Service

- A. Basic Flat Rate Service
  - 1. The following statewide schedule of rates is applicable to basic flat rate exchange access line service. The rates specified herein, with zone charges when applicable to service furnished outside the base rate area of an exchange, entitle subscribers to an unlimited number of messages to all exchange access lines bearing the designations of central offices within the serving exchange and basic service area additional exchanges listed in A3.4, Local Calling Areas.
  - 2. Monthly Rates By Rate Group
    - a. Residence Individual Lines
      - (1) Rate Groups 1 - 4

	Group				USOC	
	1	2	3	4	IFR	(1)
(a) Per line	\$13.30	\$13.78	\$14.25	\$14.72	IFR	(1)
(2) Rate Groups 5 - 7						
	Group			USOC		
	5	6	7	IFR	(1)	
(a) Per line	\$15.19	\$15.66	\$16.14	IFR	(1)	

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**National Income and Product Accounts Table**

**Table 1.1.4. Price Indexes for Gross Domestic Product**  
 [Index numbers, 2000=100] Seasonally adjusted

Data Table Options Today is: 9/10/2008 Last Revised on August 28, 2008 Next Release Date September 26, 2008

First Year: 2006-A & Q Last Year: 2008-Q Series:  Annual(A)  Quarterly(Q)  Monthly(M)  
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Line	2006		2006		2006		2006		2007		2007		2007		2008		2008		
	I	II	III	IV	I	II	III	IV	I	II	III	IV	I	II	I	II	I	II	
<b>Gross domestic product</b>	<b>115.536</b>	<b>116.317</b>	<b>117.109</b>	<b>117.742</b>	<b>118.935</b>	<b>119.531</b>	<b>119.984</b>	<b>120.826</b>	<b>121.613</b>	<b>121.973</b>									
<b>Personal consumption expenditures</b>	<b>113.581</b>	<b>114.499</b>	<b>115.381</b>	<b>115.239</b>	<b>116.202</b>	<b>117.246</b>	<b>117.969</b>	<b>119.221</b>	<b>120.283</b>	<b>121.530</b>									
Durable goods	89.208	89.027	88.726	88.126	87.717	87.365	86.938	86.598	86.581	86.236									
Non-durable goods	113.794	115.155	116.412	114.578	116.025	117.830	118.682	121.092	123.059	125.031									
Services	119.313	120.285	121.279	122.130	123.200	124.218	125.179	126.253	127.133	128.420									
<b>Gross private domestic investment</b>	<b>114.891</b>	<b>115.877</b>	<b>116.348</b>	<b>117.293</b>	<b>117.756</b>	<b>117.659</b>	<b>117.566</b>	<b>117.960</b>	<b>117.815</b>	<b>118.039</b>									
Fixed investment	115.208	116.172	116.610	117.528	118.008	117.945	117.836	118.189	118.117	118.466									
Nonresidential	106.217	107.070	107.530	108.291	108.654	108.730	108.558	109.015	109.177	109.798									
Structures	147.181	151.404	153.108	155.595	156.912	157.195	157.402	159.138	160.182	161.607									
Equipment and software	94.471	94.457	94.578	94.870	94.976	94.992	94.712	94.798	94.700	95.082									
Residential	135.418	136.670	137.089	138.412	139.181	138.733	138.820	138.803	137.900	137.173									
Change in private inventories	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---									
<b>Net exports of goods and services</b>	<b>---</b>																		
Exports:	110.834	112.418	113.722	113.499	114.520	116.011	117.018	118.794	121.397	124.590									
Goods	109.174	110.840	112.250	112.260	113.188	114.591	115.382	117.085	119.916	123.539									
Services	114.783	116.171	117.223	116.448	117.690	119.392	120.905	122.855	124.932	127.114									
Imports	113.796	116.619	118.055	115.258	115.514	119.050	121.200	124.907	128.722	137.046									
Goods	114.884	114.884	116.391	113.323	113.560	117.091	119.274	123.378	127.427	136.299									
Services	122.860	125.795	126.793	125.579	125.938	129.478	131.423	132.874	135.377	140.647									
<b>Government consumption expenditures</b>	<b>125.399</b>	<b>126.911</b>	<b>127.955</b>	<b>128.690</b>	<b>130.705</b>	<b>132.386</b>	<b>133.497</b>	<b>135.174</b>	<b>137.237</b>	<b>139.561</b>									